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CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

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SUBJECT: ANTARCTIC TREATY: U.S. POSITION ON POLISH
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CONSULTATIVE STATUS

REFERENCE: (A) STATE 302842, 1975; (B) STATE 57121, 1976

1. CHILEAN EMBOFF CALLED AT DEPARTMENT APRIL 5, ON
INSTRUCTION, TO INQUIRE WHETHER U.S. SUPPORT FOR POLISH
ADMISSION TO ANTARCTIC TREATY CONSULTATIVE FORUM AT

MARCH PREPARATORY MEETING IN LONDON REPRESENTED A CHANGE FROM U.S. POSITION IN LATE 1975 (SEE REFTEL) THAT POLAND DID NOT HAVE CONSULTATIVE STATUS. (POLAND HAD THEN ASSERTED IT HAD CONSULTATIVE STATUS BY VIRTUE OF THE DISPATCH TO ANTARCTIC WATERS OF A KRILL RESEARCH EXPEDITION). CHILEAN ALSO WISHES TO KNOW WHETHER IT WAS U.S. POLICY TO ACCEPT A UNILATERAL ASSERTION OF CONSULTATIVE STATUS AS SUFFICIENT TO MEET TREATY REQUIREMENTS.

2. DEPTOFF TOLD EMBOFF THAT CIRCUMSTANCES, NOT U.S. POSITION, HAD CHANGED. POLAND'S 1975 ASSERTION OF CONSULTATIVE STATUS, WITH CONCURRENT RIGHT TO APPOINT AN ANTARCTIC OBSERVER, WAS MADE IN CONNECTION WITH THE POLISH EXPEDITION'S FIRST ENTRY INTO THE ANTARCTIC TREATY AREA. WE HAD ONLY SCANT INFORMATION AS TO NATURE OF MARINE EXPEDITION. FURTHERMORE, SINCE NO CONSULTATIVE MEETING WAS SCHEDULED WHILE POLES WERE IN ANTARCTICA, MATTER WAS ALMOST ACADEMIC.

3. POLAND'S RETURN TO ANTARCTICA THE NEXT SEASON WITH A SIMILAR BUT LARGER EXPEDITION AND ITS ESTABLISHMENT OF A SIZEABLE WINTER-OVER SCIENTIFIC STATION ON LAND INDICATES TO THE U.S. THAT POLAND NOW HAS CLEARLY AND ADEQUATELY FULFILLED THE REQUIREMENTS OF ARTICLE IX, PARA 2 OF THE TREATY, AND IS ENTITLED TO PARTICIPATE IN CONSULTATIVE MEETINGS OR OTHER RELATED MEETINGS. WHILE THE U.S. DOES NOT BELIEVE THAT A UNILATERAL ASSERTION BY AN ACCEDING PARTY THAT IT HAS ACQUIRED CONSULTATIVE STATUS IS, IN ITSELF, QUALIFICATION TO ATTEND CONSULTATIVE MEETINGS OR

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TO ENJOY OTHER FEATURES OF CONSULTATIVE STATUS, WE DO BELIEVE THAT THE TWELVE ORIGINAL CONSULTATIVE PARTIES SHOULD NOT ATTEMPT TO IMPOSE PROCEDURAL OBSTACLES IN A CASE WHERE TREATY REQUIREMENTS HAVE SO OBVIOUSLY BEEN MET.

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